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RE: D.T.E. 06-40 NSTAR Electric Petition for Approval of Merger
Department's Sixth Set of Information Requests

Dear Mr. Werlin:

Enclosed please find the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's Sixth Set of Information Requests to Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, Canal Electric Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company in the above-referenced proceeding. Please provide the requested answers by August 11, 2006. If you have any questions on this request, please contact me at (617) 305-3613.

Sincerely,

/s/

Joan Foster Evans
Hearing Officer

cc. Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Service List
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**SIXTH SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS
D.T.E. 06-40**

Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 1.06 (6)(c), the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") submits to Boston Edison Company ("Boston Edison"), Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge"), Canal Electric Company ("Canal"), and Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (jointly "NSTAR Electric" or "Companies") the following Information Requests.

I. Instructions

The following instructions apply to this set of Information Requests and all subsequent Information Requests issued by the Department to the Companies in this proceeding.

1. Each request should be answered in writing on a separate three-hole punched page with a recitation of the request, a reference to the request number, the docket number of the case and the name of the person responsible for the answer.
2. Please do not wait for all answers to be completed before supplying answers. Provide the answers as they are completed.
3. These requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require further supplemental responses if the Companies or their witness receives or generates additional information within the scope of these requests between the time of the original response and the close of the record in this proceeding.
4. The term "provide complete and detailed documentation" means:

Provide all data, assumptions and calculations relied upon. Provide the source of and basis for all data and assumptions employed. Include all studies, reports and planning documents from which data, estimates or assumptions were drawn and support for how the data or assumptions were used in developing the projections or estimates. Provide and explain all supporting workpapers.
5. The term "document" is used in its broadest sense and includes, without limitation, writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, phono-records, microfilm, microfiche, computer printouts, correspondence, handwritten notes, records or reports, bills, checks, articles from journals or other sources and other data compilations from which information can be obtained and all copies of such documents that bear notations or other markings that differentiate such copies from the original.
6. If the Companies find that any one of these requests is ambiguous, please notify the Hearing Officer so that the request may be clarified prior to the preparation of a written response.

7. If a question refers to an Information Request of another party, please provide that response and answer with information that supplements the previous response.
8. Please serve a copy of the responses on Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary of the Department; also submit two (2) copies of the responses to Joan Foster Evans, Hearing Officer, and one copy each to Paul Osborne, Meera Bhalotra, Jeff Hall and Joseph Passaggio of the Rates and Revenue Requirements Division, and Shashi Parekh of the Electric Power Division.

II. Information Requests

- DTE 6-1 Refer to the Companies' response to information request DTE 5-1. Please recalculate the revenue requirement shown on line 6 of this response based upon the following assumption: assume that in calculating the revenue requirement for Cambridge in D.T.E. 05-85, the Companies made a post test year adjustment and included the year end 2005 net plant balance of the 13.8 kV facilities in the distribution rate base. Assume further that the Companies included in the cost of service a full year's expenses associated with the 13.8 kV facilities, adjusted, where possible, for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission versus Department differences referenced in the first full paragraph of page 2 of the Companies' response to information request AG 4-1. Please continue to use a 10.5 percent return on equity for purposes of this calculation.